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DIARY NOTES

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1. At the Deputies' Meeting this morning:

a. The Director said that in view of Representative George Mahon's interest in the Agency he wanted to prepare a breakdown of the program, personnel strength, etc., [REDACTED] and have someone go up and give him a briefing. (I have alerted Ed Saunders to work with DD/P in doing this.)

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b. The Director also asked that Ed Saunders prepare a Memorandum for the Record of the House Appropriations Hearing. (I directed Ed to do this also.)

c. The Director indicated that he had raised with the House Appropriations Committee the question of building a house for the Director of Central Intelligence at Langley. What he has in mind is a house which would be located across the George Washington Memorial Parkway from our building and on the banks of the river. I told him that in addition to the legal problems we might not be able to get National Park Service approval for the use of the land. (However, we now have a clear mandate from the Director to explore all aspects of this problem, and, as a first step, I have asked Larry Houston to provide me with a memorandum concerning the legal ramifications.)

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d. The Director also mentioned the letter which Representative Clarence Cannon requested concerning the "total cost of intelligence to the United States Government." Bob Amory has this letter and is responsible for circulating it to the United States Intelligence Board members. It will be discussed at the USIB Meeting next Tuesday after which it is supposed to be sent to the House Appropriations Committee.



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2. Gates and I met with Bob Amory, Dick Bissell, Ed Saunders and Bob Macy, Bureau of the Budget, to discuss the philosophy of the Reserve. I am not sure that we

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accomplished too much; however, it was clear Bob Macy felt that we were not doing enough internal examination prior to coming to the Bureau to request a release from the Reserve, particularly for "5412" matters. He left a list of questions with us which he felt should be SOP for the Bureau to ask whenever we requested a release. Bob, Dick and Ed have copies of this and are to suggest changes or modifications and submit them to me, after which I will consolidate them and discuss the matter again with Bob Macy.

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